

A bill for an act

relating to transportation; requiring feasibility study on extending commuter rail service between Minneapolis and St. Paul.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. **COMMUTER RAIL EXTENSION FEASIBILITY STUDY.**

By February 15, 2010, the Metropolitan Council shall submit a commuter rail extension feasibility study to the chairs and ranking minority members of the house of representatives and senate committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy and finance. The study must provide an evaluation of the cost and feasibility of providing commuter rail service between downtown Minneapolis and the Union Depot in St. Paul, and must account for cost-effective and efficient connections with the Northstar commuter rail line and other proposed commuter rail lines.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.